

St Botolph's Church Family News The Fifth Sunday after Trinity 17th July 2022

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## Collect - The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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Church Services Sunday 17th July

St Botolph's Church Barton Seagrave

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am Morning Prayer - and Live Stream on YouTube

6.30pm Evening Prayer - and Live Stream on YouTube

St Edmund's Church Warkton

12noon Morning Prayer

(Please use the Village Hall Car park in Warkton village.)

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## The Sunday 6.30pm Services during August

Please note there will be no Sunday 6.30pm service on Sunday 31st July or any Sunday during August, normal Sunday Services will recommence on Sunday 4th September at 6.30pm.

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Sunday Picnics during August

There will be a bring your own lunch-time picnic after the 10.00am service each Sunday morning, commencing 7th August. All are welcome so please join us as we continue our fellowship with one another each Sunday during August in Church House Garden.

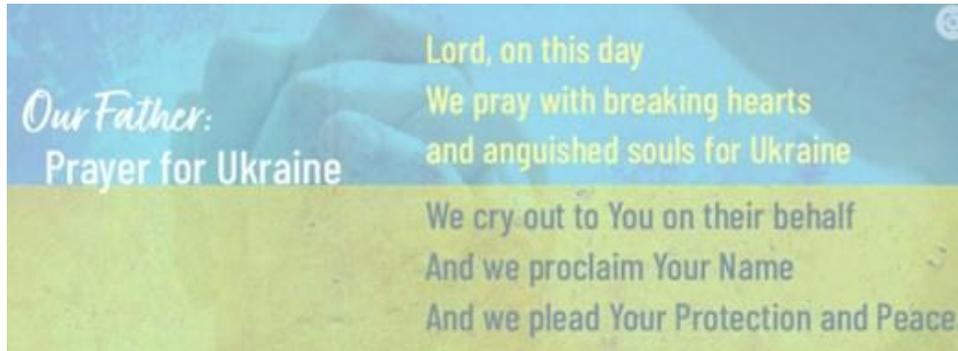


Picnic

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### Table Tennis at Church House

We will be setting up the table tennis tables in Church House on a few Friday evenings throughout the summer. During July we will meet on the following Friday nights between 7:30pm – 9:00pm: July 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> - Do come along for a game or two. We have some spare bats if you don't have your own. Charge - £1 per person Any queries, please contact Helen on 07973 164020 or email [Helen@stbots.church](mailto:Helen@stbots.church) We look forward to seeing you there!



Join us on Saturday 23th July via Zoom for our Prayer time



### Family Support Worker

#### Great news:

We are delighted to be able to tell you that we have had pledges or monetary gifts that will enable us to continue to employ Helen as our Family Support Worker for a further period of three years from 1st September. To those who have pledged, given and/or prayed

Thank You!! We are so grateful to our Heavenly Father for His goodness in prompting this wonderful response from members of our congregations. The Wardens



### LINK Weekend Away

Thank you so much for your prayers for the 'LINK Weekend Away'. We had a great time away with 15 young people. We had wonderful Bible teaching from the book of Ruth, combat archery/ kayaking/ graffiti painting/ a murder mystery and loads of time to enjoy chilling out and spending time together.



These times are so important in Youth ministry. Please continue to pray for fruit and God to be at work in the lives of our young people.

Andy and the Link Team



### KGH Christian Prayertime

Every Tuesday fortnight a few of us meet by Zoom to pray for KGH and local healthcare issues. (The next Zoom meeting Tuesday 19th July at 12 noon)

All are welcome to join us for a short time of prayer at 12noon to 12.30pm via Zoom and remember you don't need to be employed by KGH to join us, it's open to everybody. Check the St Bots WhatsApp group for Zoom log-in details or contact Church Office.



## What's happening next week?

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| <b>Sunday 17th July</b><br>8.30am Holy Communion in Church<br>10.00am Morning Service in Church<br>also Live Streamed<br>10.00am Promised Land in Church House<br>12noon Morning Service St Edmund's<br>6.30pm Evening Prayer in Church<br>also Live Streamed | <b>Monday 18th July</b><br>8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)<br>9.30am Refresh in Church House                                   |
| <b>Tuesday 19th July</b><br>8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)<br>9.30am St Bots Tots in Church House<br>12noon KGH Christian Prayer Time<br>via Zoom<br>8.00pm Home Groups Meet                                                                              | <b>Wednesday 20th July</b><br>8.00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)<br>9.30am Ladies Bible Group Meet<br>8.00pm Link in Church House |
| <b>Thursday 21st July</b><br>8:00am Morning Prayer (on YouTube)<br>11.00am MidWeek Holy Communion<br>in Church<br>7.30pm 1Eighty in Church House                                                                                                              | <b>Friday 22nd July</b><br>7.30pm Table Tennis in Church House                                                                    |
| <b>Saturday 23rd July</b><br>4.30pm Prayer for Ukraine via Zoom                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                   |

### We STILL urgently need more volunteers for the following Church Rota's



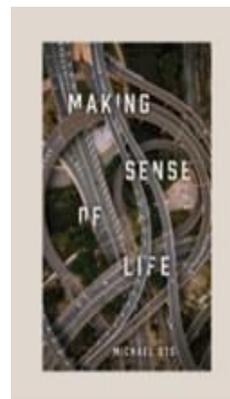
- Sides Person 6.30pm
- Sound Desk 10.00am & 6.30pm
- Coffee after 10.00am service
- Church Cleaning
- Prayers at 10.00am & 6.30pm
- Reading at 10.00am & 6.30pm

Please consider joining one or more of the Rota's - remember without your help this valuable work falls on the few and can't be sustained so please contact Church Office for more details.

### Contact details

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## Recommended Summer Reads



All of us will go through moments when we are forced to face up to life's big questions. For some it is the reality of death: watching tragedies unfold around us. For others it is the wonder of life – marvelling at the birth of a baby, or the spectacle of a sunset. These moments provoke questions – about life and value, identity and meaning, society and the environment, love and relationships, justice and freedom, despair and hope.

In *Making Sense of Life*, Michael Ots honestly and carefully examines the questions that we all have. He unravels our desires and our dilemmas and makes the case that the Christian faith really does make the best sense of the things that matter most.

Honest, refreshing, engaging, and powerful – if you're genuinely interested in making sense of life's deepest questions, this book is a great place to start.

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Berti Dosti faced a terrible but intriguing dilemma. He was an Albanian army captain and his job as a radio specialist was to listen into the world's airwaves ... As he idly twiddled the radio dials, he heard a voice saying: "If you want to find out more about God we will meet again tomorrow."

1980s Albania. The world's most isolated country and 'the first atheistic state'. Captain Dosti knows that by secretly listening to a Christian radio station he could put his life and the life of his whole family at risk. And yet, he cannot resist.

This inspiring story of Berti's journey from Captain Dosti to Pastor Dosti gives us a glimpse of the explosive growth of the early Albanian church after nearly half a decade of repressive atheism and the untiring efforts of Trans World Radio to broadcast the

Christian message across closed borders to Albanians, who for most of their life had been told there was no God.

Both books are now available in Church at £1.00 each this is a special price so get your copy(s) NOW.



Volunteers Wanted for CAP Summer Exhibitions!



Christians Against Poverty are a charity based in Bradford who provide Free debt help and advice to anyone who needs it through our network of churches and debt centres across the UK - last year alone, 1,877 people became completely debt free!



This summer, we'll be attending 2 fantastic exhibitions, both based at the East of England Showground in Peterborough, where we'll be running a cafe to serve the guests on site at the events and hosting a stand where people can come and learn about CAP and the work we do - and hopefully signing up to our mailing list or as a regular financial giver.

New Wine is an event for the whole church family to gather in worship and praise, learn more about God, and celebrate everything He has been doing in our communities.

Sixty One is targeted towards the 18 -30s age group, and will be an event focused on social justice and prayer for God's hand in our broken world.

We're looking for **YOU and YOUR FRIENDS** to join as volunteers at these exciting events!

New Wine (Week A): 23rd - 28th July

New Wine (Week B): 29th July - 3rd August

Sixty One: 4th - 8th August

As a volunteer with us, you will receive FREE access to the event and any sessions happening onsite, all meals and transport is provided, and support can be given with sourcing a tent and camping equipment if you don't own these.

All ages and abilities are welcome and invited to join us, with No Experience Necessary as full training will be provided!

If you are interested, please email events@capuk.org to request a sign up form!

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# New Church Sound System

We are very excited that the sound system in church is about to be upgraded. The present system has served well for 25 years or so, but is now showing its age. We recently installed a new mixing desk and we are now to install new amplification and speakers. The result should be immediately noticeable not least because the large, white, unsightly speakers will be removed. In order to facilitate this work it is now expected to begin Monday 1st August, this delay has been due to engineer illness

Mark

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Please join us at our popular short
Thursday morning Midweek Service at
11.00am in Church and then afterwards
enjoy a chat with coffee in Church.

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**Andy's Sabbatical leave starts 22nd July to 31 October.**



I would just like to say thank you to all those (particularly on the Youth Team) who are making it possible for me to take a sabbatical. This is the first time since starting in full time ministry in 1997 that I have had a sabbatical. I am looking forward to taking a bit of a break, having time to step back and think, reflect and pray over the last 25 years!

I would value your prayers for good rest, I was recently reminded that taking time to rest is part of being obedient to God as it's built into the very heart of creation. It also helps us to remember that God is sovereign. I just heard this helpful quote; 'We rest because we believe in the sovereignty of God' Resting also helps us in our humility, another quote; ' proper rest is an expression of humility' because it's God's ministry, his work not ours, and none of us are indispensable.

Please also pray for good time with family and pray that I would use my time well, and be fed by God, grow deeper in my love and knowledge of him and be refreshed.

See you all in November

Andy

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